GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 377. TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 09TH DECEMBER, 2022.

DEVELOPMENT OF NODES UNDER VISAKHAPATNAM-CHENNAI INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR

377. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to develop only two nodes, viz., Chittoor (Sri Kalahasti) and Kadapa (Kopparthy) nodes out of 3 nodes under Visakhapatnam Chennai Industrial Corridor (VCIC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has spent any fund for developing the aforesaid two nodes so far; and
- (d) if so, the details therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI SOM PARKASH)

(a) & (b): As per request received from Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP), National Industrial Corridor Development and Implementation Trust (NICDIT) in its meeting held on 30th August 2019, had accorded approval for development of Vishakhapatnam and Chittoor as priority nodes in Phase-I of VCIC. Further, GoAP had also requested for inclusion of Kadapa (Kopparthy) as an additional node in the State of Andhra Pradesh as part of VCIC. The State Government, during the project review meeting on 10th August 2022, was requested to prioritize between Kopparthy and Vishakhapatnam Node for considering for NICDIT approval. The status of the identified nodes is as under:

(1) <u>Chittoor Node</u>:

Consultants have been appointed for preparation of detailed master planning and preliminary engineering for 8,967 acres in November, 2020.

(2) Kadapa (Kopparthy) Node:

Based on the confirmation of land by State Government in September, 2020, Consultants were appointed in November, 2020 for preparation of detailed master planning and preliminary engineering for 4,085 acre. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation (APIIC) revised the project area to 5,760 acre in February, 2021 comprising 3165 acre in North and 2595 acre in South Node and proposed to develop North Node on its own and South Node under NICDIT Framework. Master Plan for the South Node has been approved by the State Government.

(3) Visakhapatnam (Nakapalli Cluster):

State Government has identified 4,316 acre of land for development of Nakkapalli Cluster in two phases. State Government has initiated action for development of 1120 acre (Phase-I) on its own with funding support from Asian Development Bank (ADB). State Government has undertaken the Project Development activities (detailed master planning & preliminary engineering) for both the phases.

(c) & (d): Government of India has spent Rs. 3.27 Crore for project development activities of VCIC.
